

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1744-01  
Bill No.: HB 708  
Subject: Children and Minors; Liability; Motor Vehicles  
Type: Original  
Date: February 26, 2001

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Revenue** assume this proposal changes the law regarding seat belt restraint requirements for children under the age of sixteen based on age and weight criteria. It increases the fine for seat belt violations but does not mandate point assessment for convictions resulting from seat belt violations.

This proposal has no impact on the Department of Revenue.

**Oversight** assumes substantial compliance with the new provisions after an initial public awareness of the new requirements is developed, and that the additional revenue from fines, if any, would be minimal.

Officials from the **Department of Transportation** assume no fiscal impact to their organization

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume substantial compliance after a period of adjustment and would not expect a significant increase in the workload of the courts.

**Oversight** assumes any additional costs would be minimal and could be absorbed from existing resources.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

### DESCRIPTION

This proposal amends various provisions regarding the use of child restraint systems in motor vehicles. For children less than four years of age regardless of weight or for children weighing less than forty pounds regardless of age, a child passenger restraint system appropriate for that child shall be used. If the child is at least four years of age but less than eight years of age or weighs at least forty pounds but less than eighty pounds, the child shall be properly restrained in a properly secured child booster seat. Every car rental agency doing business in the state of Missouri shall inform its customers of the requirements of this section and shall provide for rental an appropriate child passenger safety restraint system.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Revenue  
Department of Transportation  
Office of State Courts Administrator

### NOT RESPONDING

Department of Public Safety  
Missouri Highway Patrol



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